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CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES EXPANDED

NEW CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES IN HUNGARY-- Vilegossag, No 64, 18 Mar 49

The Gyepitesi Ipari Korpont (Plant Construction Industry Center) enterprises are now engaged in building at 200 factory sites. Manpower has increased by 400 percent since last September. Approximately 10,000 men are now employed by these enterprises. One of the projects will become the country's first complete apprentice shop, housing one machine of each type for training apprentices. Another project is the construction of the 50,000-60,000-capacity sports arena in Budapest.

WAREHOUSE FACILITIES EXPAND-- Szabad Nep, No 71, 26 Mar 49

Plans call for investing 6 million forints, during 1949, for new warehouses and equipment and the restoration of war damaged facilities. Over 3 million forints will be spent on state-owned facilities and 744,000 will go to farm cooperatives. Over a million forints is being invested in a large Budapest bonded warehouse with a capacity of 500-700 cars of grain.

CONSTRUCTION COSTS TO BE REDUCED-- Elizabeth Rep, No 75, 31 Mar 49

Government construction plans for 1949 call for expenditure of 1,200,000,000 forints. State-owned construction enterprises have initiated a campaign to reduce construction costs and effect a savings of 150-200 million forints. This will permit 13-16 percent more construction under the plan. An important item in reducing costs will be the use of prefabricated aluminum and reinforced steel units.

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